



Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

January 31, 2011

MR. JAMES MICHAEL SCOTT
1485 GRANDVIEW ROAD
ARNOLD, MD 21012

Subject: SCOTT, PAUL JAMES

FOIPA No. 1147411- 000

Dear Mr. Scott:

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Sincerely yours,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WC8*

DATE: 2-8-63

FROM : Mr. D. J. Brennan *2/19*SUBJECT: PAUL SCOTT
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1 - Mr. Belmont *3/6*
 1 - Mr. Mohr
 1 - Mr. DeLoach
 1 - Mr. Sullivan
 1 - Mr. Wannall
 1 - Mr. Brennan

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CC MR. TOLSON

Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
Re: Paul Scott

OBSERVATIONS:

✓ Our policy with respect to leaks of information to reporters is to advise the referring agency that such matters are administrative and should be handled by the agency which is responsible for safeguarding the information. The Attorney General concurred with this policy in his letter of 5-9-62. We do, however, for the assistance of the Internal Security Division obtain answers to certain questions concerning classification, declassification, dissemination and other pertinent data with respect to the classified information from the referring agency in order that the Department can determine whether investigation is warranted. With respect to leaks of communications intelligence information, our policy, concurred in by the Attorney General on 5-9-62, is to refer the agency to National Security Council Intelligence Directive No. 1, paragraph 5, which makes the Chairman of Central Intelligence responsible for investigation within the various agencies having access to the information involved.

ACTION:

If approved, we will, if this matter is referred to us by Navy, follow our policy as set out above.

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 3/5/63

FROM : A. H. Belmont

cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Wacks
Liaison SectionSUBJECT: PAUL SCOTT
Espionage - X

Referral/Consult

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Apparently there is continued distress concerning these articles in that the White House and intelligence agencies feel that classified information has been compromised, including possible communications intelligence. McGeorge Bundy of the White House requested

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Mr. Tolson

Our representative, in the Security Committee, pointed out the objections to any proposed "covert" investigation of Scott and Allen, and further pointed out that any investigation undertaken would appear to be the responsibility of the various agencies wherein the alleged intelligence information originated. It is anticipated, however, that the Security Committee will present this to USIB tomorrow as they planned.

RECOMMENDATIONS:


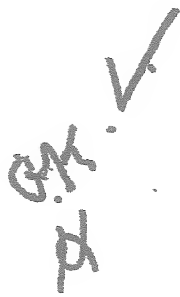
If you approve, I will take the position at USIB, if this question is raised, that

(1) A so-called "covert" investigation is impractical, highly dangerous, and the FBI wants no part of it.

(2) As USIB is well aware, the experience of the FBI in leak cases involving newspaper reporters has shown that even when we come up with the answer nothing is done, and therefore this is not the solution to the problem.

(3) If investigation is to be conducted, it should rest with the agencies which originated the information which was compromised.

(4) If they really want to go to the mat on this leak issue, they might consider recommending that the Chairman of USIB interview these two reporters, and if they do not cooperate arrange to have them called before a grand jury.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 3/6/63

FROM : A. H. Belmont *ahb*cc 'Mr. Belmont
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. D.E. Moore
Mr. Wacks
LiaisonSUBJECT: PAUL SCOTT
Espionage - X

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My memorandum of 3/5/63 advised that the Security Committee of the US Intelligence Board (USIB) would present recommendations to USIB today relative to the leak of classified information appearing in the column of Paul Scott and Robert Allen in the "Northern Virginia Sun."

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Mr. Tolson

Referral/Consult

I stated (1) that any such "covert" investigation is impractical, highly dangerous, and the FBI wants no part of it. I stated that the odds are high that any such investigation will become known.

(2) I stated that, as USIB well knew, we had conducted investigations into these leaks in the past, and in at least two instances we had come up with the answers, but no action had been taken; consequently, it was futile for the FBI to conduct these investigations. I stated that it would take 100 or so agents to run around the Pentagon, the State Department, and the other intelligence agencies, and people we talked to would give us sweet answers, and the net result would be zero; and even if we did come up with the answer, nothing would be done. I said we had neither the time, nor the manpower for such activities.

(3) I stated that if investigation is to be conducted, it should be conducted by the agencies wherein the information originated, as they were in a much better position to know what controls were on the information, who had the responsibility, and they knew their systems of handling information.

Mr. Tolson

(4) I said that if they really wanted to go to the mat on this leak issue they might consider having [] talk to the two reporters, although we recognized this was a delicate issue, and if they do not cooperate arrange to have them called before a grand jury. I pointed out that the British have faced up to this issue with newspaper reporters, and if the government really wants to do something this is a move that could be considered.

Referral/Consult

OBSERVATIONS:

To my mind, any "covert" investigation by the USIB Security Committee, composed of representatives of various agencies, would be simply ridiculous, and if such a decision is reached I think we should go clearly on record to this effect.z

ACTION:

Mr. Tolson

Referral/Consult

I believe we should get on record with the Attorney General as to the issues involved and our position in connection therewith. Therefore, a memorandum is being prepared to the AG, which will be submitted for your approval.

FW *OK* *✓*

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1 - Evans
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1 - DeLoach
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The Attorney General

March 7, 1963

Director, FBI

1 - Wannall
1 - Wacks

PAUL SCOTT
ROBERT ALLEN
ESPIONAGE - X

During December, 1962; January, 1963; and February, 1963, articles written by the subjects containing highly classified information appeared in the daily newspaper, the "Northern Virginia Sun." The classified information pertained to Soviet offensive plans in Cuba and included communications intelligence data.

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March 7, 1963

Memorandum for Messrs. Tolson, Belmont, Sullivan, DeLoach

I stated my feeling was as Mr. Belmont had said before the meeting, that a covert investigation will become known and I understood the President does not want it to become known. [REDACTED]

I stated I thought that sometime if such a matter could be brought before a grand jury, it would scare them. I stated my feeling in this particular matter is that if they want to have an investigation made, it ought to be made by the Defense agencies because it would be far more effective to have the Defense agencies interview people in their own agencies rather than an outside civilian agency do it because there is always a certain amount of resentment. I commented that I believed most of the leaks have occurred from the Defense Department.

Referral/Consult

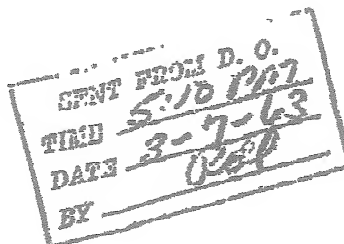
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I stated that was correct and to also reiterate down the line that this sort of thing must stop. I stated I personally feel it should be handled by the service principally involved in the matter or the Inspector General of the particular department. [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

J. E. H.

John Edgar Hoover
Director



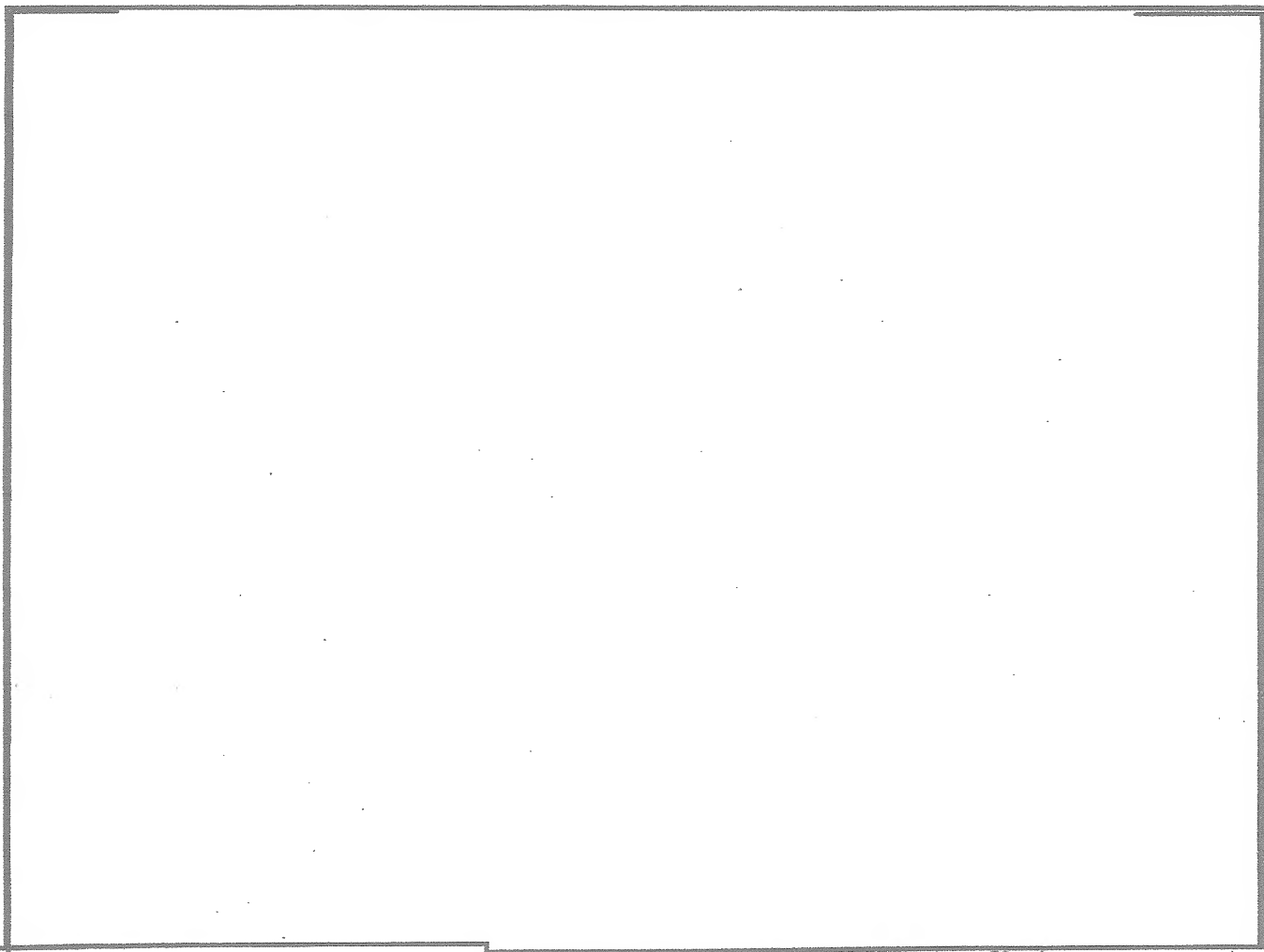
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March 7, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. BELMONT
MR. SULLIVAN
MR. DE LOACH

Referral/Consult

Paul C. Scott



I stated that particularly in the Defense
Department if they would make an example and fire an individual and let it be
known why the person was fired, it would have a wholesome effect down the line.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Sullivan
1 - Wacks
1 - Liaison

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: March 7, 1963

FROM : MR. BELMONT

SUBJECT: PAUL SCOTT
ROBERT ALLEN
ESPIONAGE - X

Tolson ✓
Belmont ✓
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W. J. [unclear]

Re my memo of March 6, advising of the U. S. Intelligence Board (USIB) discussion on the leaks of classified information which have appeared in the column of Scott and Allen in the "Northern Virginia Sun." Referral/Consult

(1-1)

I told [redacted] that I had thoroughly acquainted Mr. Hoover with the results of the discussion at USIB yesterday and the strong position I had taken against involving the FBI in any "covert" investigation, and that we were sending a letter over to the Attorney General today advising him of our position in this matter.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is a letter to the Attorney General.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : W. C. SULLIVAN

DATE: June 18, 1963

FROM : D. J. BRENNAN

SUBJECT: PAUL SCOTT;
ROBERT ALLEN
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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In March, 1963, we were advised that [redacted] became very disturbed as a result of alleged leaks of sensitive information to the captioned newspaper columnists. He discussed this matter at the U. S. Intelligence Board and an attempt was made to involve the Bureau in an investigation of the leak. We took the position that it was infeasible to conduct an investigation of Scott and Allen without it becoming known. We did not get involved in any investigation.

ACTION:

Referral/Consult

For information.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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The Attorney General

[redacted] however, the FBI representative strongly opposed such an investigation pointing out that any "covert" action is impractical, highly dangerous and futile. He also informed USIB that it would appear to be almost certain that if any investigation was conducted, the subjects would become knowledgeable. He had in mind, of course, that should such a "covert" investigation of newspapermen by the FBI become known strong public criticism of the Department of Justice and you would ensue.

Referral/Consult

Our representative suggested that if any investigation was conducted, it should be handled by the agencies wherein the information originated since they were more cognizant of security controls in existence in the different agencies, the identities of the individuals responsible for the classified data involved, and the manner in which highly classified information was handled in the various agencies. Inasmuch as the leaks in question apparently emanated from the Department of Defense, it would appear that Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara could designate one of the Defense intelligence agencies to conduct any investigation decided upon.

[redacted] The FBI representative vigorously impressed on the USIB members that the FBI did not desire to participate in any "covert" investigation in this case.

You will be furnished any additional information we receive with respect to this matter.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

NOTE:

This letter is classified "~~Secret~~" and the Group 1 classification is used since it repeats information from an USIB document of 3/1/63 which uses these classifications.

Cover memo Belmont to Tolson 3/7/63, captioned as above, AHB:hmm.

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